

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L AMMAN 1146

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ETRD, MASS, JO  
SUBJECT: DEFENSE CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

REF: AMMAN 0190

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER OF FEBRUARY 23 FROM MINISTER  
OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS HASSAN IBRAHIM TO AMBASSADOR,  
CONVEYING GOJ'S CONCURRENCE TO OUR PROPOSAL FOR AN AGREEMENT  
TO PROVIDE TAX-EXEMPT AND DUTY FREE STATUS FOR U.S.  
PRIVATE CONTRACTORS, COMPANIES, AND ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS  
ENGAGED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF U.S. DOD PROJECTS IN JORDAN.  
WE PROPOSED SAME STATUS AS CURRENTLY APPLIES TO CONTRACTORS  
FOR USAID PROJECTS UNDER TERMS OF 1957 AGREEMENT.  
TEXT OF LETTER AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT: EXCELLENCY,  
I HAVE THE HONOUR TO REFER TO YOUR LETTER DATED  
OCTOBER 20, 1977 AND ITS ENCLOSURES:  
1 - AMERICAN EMBASSY NOTE 290 DATED OCTOBER 20, 1976.  
2 - 1957 U.S. JORDANIAN ECONOMIC TECHNICAL, AND  
RELATED ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (TIAS 3870).  
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I WISH TO CONVEY THE CONCURRENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT  
OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN WITH YOUR PROPOSAL  
THAT PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPHS 7 AND 8 OF THE AFOREMENTIONED  
AGREEMENT BE REGARDED AS APPLICABLE TO THE FURNISHING  
OF DEFENSE ARTICLES AND SERVICES BY THE UNITED STATES  
TO JORDAN. THE ARRANGEMENTS PROVIDED FOR IN THESE  
PARAGRAPHS WILL ALSO COVER PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT AND FUNDS

OF THE UNITED STATES AND ITS CONTRACTORS IN CONNECTION  
WITH THE FURNISHING OF THESE DEFENSE ARTICLES AND SERVICES.

I ALSO CONCUR WITH YOUR SUGGESTION THAT YOUR  
EXCELLENCY'S LETTER NO. 290 DATED OCTOBER 20, 1976 AND  
MY PRESENT LETTER SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

PLEASE ACCEPT EXCELLENCY THE ASSURANCES OF MY  
HIGHEST CONSIDERATIONS. END TEXT.

2. EMBASSY POUCHING VIA AIRGRAM TO DEPARTMENT ORIGINAL  
COPY OF IBRAHIM'S LETTER. WE ALSO POUCHING COPY OF  
EMBASSY DIPLOMATIC NOTE 290 OF OCTOBER 20, 1976 AND  
AMBASSADOR'S COVERING LETTER, AS REFERRED TO IN HASSAN  
IBRAHIM'S LETTER OF 23 FEBRUARY.

3. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN ABOVE AGREEMENTS ARE ENTERED IN  
TIAS SERIES AND NOTIFIED TO CONGRESS.  
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